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WHY:

Cross-country Natural Gas Vehicle Road Rally Stop Planned in Spartanburg, SC

- **The June 13 event** celebrates natural gas as a cleaner, low-cost alternative to diesel and other transportation fuels.
- **The goal** of the event is to raise awareness of successful natural gas fleets and the available— and growing— natural gas refueling infrastructure.

WHAT: Palmetto Clean Fuels (PCF) and Piedmont Natural Gas (PNG) are hosting the only South Carolina stop on a cross-country tour of natural gas vehicles (NGVs) on Tuesday, June 13, at PNG's Spartanburg Resource Center.

The 2017 From Sea to Shining Sea NGV Road Rally, organized by NGVAmerica, showcases the growing use of natural gas—both compressed natural gas (CNG) and liquefied natural gas—as a transportation fuel.

The 4,825-mile journey began near Long Beach, CA on Monday, June 5 and will conclude in Washington, DC on Friday, June 16.

As a US Department of Energy Clean Cities Coalition, Palmetto Clean Fuels promotes natural gas and other alternative fuels, mass transit, anti-idling, bicycling, pedestrian efforts, and other petroleum-reducing initiatives.

WHO: The Spartanburg event will feature remarks from Karl Newlin, senior vice president and chief commercial officer for natural gas operations for PNG's parent company Duke Energy and Landon Masters and Maeve Mason of the Palmetto Clean Fuels Coalition, an initiative of the SC Office of Regulatory Staff Energy Office. Other notable guests include elected officials and representatives from AT&T, UPS, Waste Management, and Randolph Trucking.

WHEN: Tuesday, June 13, 2017, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Press conference at 11:30 a.m.

WHERE: Piedmont Natural Gas Spartanburg Resource Center 501 West Blackstock Road, Spartanburg, SC 29301

VISUALS: Speakers delivering remarks; NGVs filling up at CNG pumps at PNG's public CNG refueling station, located on-site; AT&T, UPS, Waste Management, and Randolph Trucking receiving awards for leading the way in adopting cleaner, low-cost CNG as their transportation fuel of choice.



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Palmetto Clean Fuels Coalition (PCF) is an initiative of the Office of Regulatory Staff - Energy Office. PCF works to increase the use of alternative fuels and advanced vehicle technologies in South Carolina. PCF strives to help public and private entities, as well as individuals, lower fuel costs, improve air quality, and reduce petroleum consumption. PCF also promotes idle reduction, fuel economy measures, vehicle miles traveled reductions, and bicycle and pedestrian efforts.

Clean Cities is a locally based, voluntary public/private partnership coordinated by the US Department of Energy (DOE). DOE developed this program in order to promote energy use in the transportation sector that is clean, safe, less dependent upon foreign sources, and sustainable. Clean Cities builds on local initiatives and partnerships as well as nationwide networks to achieve its goals. By combining local decision-making with voluntary action by partners, this grassroots community action group seeks to create effective programs that will combine for a sustainable nationwide alternative fuels market. PCF is the DOE Clean Cities designee for South Carolina.